

In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of establishing a Bluetooth wireless connection between portable computers comprising:

a) storing a Bluetooth device identification of a first portable computer system on a memory resident list of a second portable computer system;

b) in response to a request from said first portable computer system to establish communication between said first and second portable computer systems, accessing said device identification of said first portable computer system on said second portable computer system; and

c) establishing a Bluetooth connection between said first and second portable computer systems by sending a Bluetooth page message from said second portable computer system to said first handheld computer system without need of a Bluetooth inquiry message, wherein said establishing in c) bypasses standard Bluetooth discovery processes.

2. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 1 wherein said device identification is automatically determined in a two-way communication between said first and said second portable computer systems prior to said c).

3. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 1 wherein said device identification is unknown to said second portable computer system and is entered by a user of said second portable computer system.

4. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 1 wherein said b) further comprises:

b1) accessing said device identification;

b2) displaying a representation of said device identification on a display of said second portable computer system; and

b3) including said device identification in said Bluetooth wireless connection.

5. (original) The method as described in Claim 4 wherein said representation of said device identification is a Bluetooth friendly name.

6. (original) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising:

d) responsive to a failure of said c), beginning a Bluetooth discovery process.

7-12 (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A portable computer system comprising:

- a bus;
- a Bluetooth radio coupled to said bus;
- a processor coupled to said bus; and
- a memory coupled to said bus, wherein said memory comprises instructions that when executed implement a method of establishing a Bluetooth wireless connection between portable computers, said method comprising:
  - a) storing a Bluetooth device identification of a first portable computer system on a memory resident list of a second portable computer system;
  - b) in response to a request from said first portable computer system to establish communication between said first and second portable computer systems, accessing said device identification of said first portable computer system on said second portable computer system; and
  - c) establishing a Bluetooth connection between said first and second portable computer systems by sending a Bluetooth page message from said second portable computer system to said first ~~handheld~~ portable computer system without need of a Bluetooth inquiry message, wherein said establishing in c) bypasses standard Bluetooth discovery processes.

14. (previously presented)The portable computer system as described in Claim 13 wherein said device identification is automatically determined in a two-way communication between said first and said second portable computer systems prior to said c).

15. (previously presented)The portable computer system as described in Claim 13 wherein said device identification is unknown to said second portable computer system and is entered by a user of said second portable computer system.

16. (previously presented)The portable computer system as described in Claim 13 wherein said b) further comprises:

- b1) accessing said device identification;
- b2) displaying a representation of said device identification on a display of said second portable computer system; and
- b3) selecting to include said device identification in said Bluetooth wireless connection.

17. (previously presented)The portable computer system as described in Claim 16 wherein said representation of said device identification is a Bluetooth friendly name.

18. (previously presented) The portable computer system as described in Claim 13 further comprising:

d) responsive to a failure of said c), beginning a Bluetooth discovery process.

19. (currently amended) A method of establishing a Bluetooth wireless connection between portable computers comprising:

a) storing a plurality of Bluetooth device identifications corresponding to a plurality of portable computer systems on a memory resident list of a specific portable computer system;

b) in response to a request from said first portable computer system to establish communication among said plurality of portable computer systems accessing said plurality of Bluetooth device identifications on said specific portable computer system; and

c) establishing a Bluetooth connection among said plurality of portable computer systems by sending a page message from said specific portable computer system to said plurality of portable computer systems without need of a Bluetooth inquiry message, wherein said establishing in c) bypasses standard Bluetooth discovery processes.

20. (previously presented)The method as described in claim 19 wherein at least one of said plurality of Bluetooth device identifications is automatically determined in two-way communications between said particular portable computer system and members of said plurality of portable computer systems prior to said c).

21. (previously presented)The method as described in Claim 19 wherein at least one of said plurality of Bluetooth device identifications is unknown to said second portable computer system and is entered by a user of said second portable computer system.

22. (previously presented)The method as described in Claim 20 wherein said b) further comprises:

- b1) accessing said plurality of device identifications;
- b2) displaying representations of said plurality of device identifications on a display of said particular portable computer system; and
- b3) including at least one portable computer system corresponding to one of said plurality of Bluetooth device identifications in said Bluetooth wireless connection.

23. (original) The method as described in Claim 22 wherein at least one of said representations of said plurality of device identifications is a Bluetooth friendly name.

24. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 20 further comprising:

d) responsive to a failure to establish a Bluetooth connection between said specific portable computer system and said plurality of portable computer systems, automatically initiating a Bluetooth discovery process.

25. (withdrawn) A method of rejecting a Bluetooth communications request comprising:

a) receiving a Bluetooth communications request at a portable computer, wherein said communications request comprises a device identification;

b) automatically accessing on said portable computer a memory resident list of trusted device identifications; and

c) rejecting said Bluetooth communications request if said device identification is not a member of said list of trusted device identifications.

26. (withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 25 further comprising displaying a representation of said device identification on a display of said portable computer.

27. (withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 26 wherein said representation of said device is a Bluetooth friendly name.

28. (withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 25 wherein said Bluetooth communications request is a page message.

29. (withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 25 wherein said Bluetooth communications request is an inquiry message.

30. (withdrawn) The method as described in Claim 25 wherein an entry in said list of trusted device identifications is automatically determined in a two-way communication between said portable computer and another Bluetooth enabled device.